

REMARKS

Reconsideration Request, Claims Pending

The non-final Office action mailed on 3 August 2007 has been considered carefully. Reconsideration of the claimed invention in view of the amendments above and the discussion below is respectfully requested.

Contrary to the Examiner's suggestion, the drawings illustrate the "command signal generator" and the "rotational transducer". According to the original specification, on page 6: 15-18, in one embodiment, the command signal generator comprises a rotational transducer, which is illustrate in FIG. 3 as discussed on page 6: 18 – page 8: 3.

Claims 1-7 and 16-20 are allowed or allowable.

Claims 1-20 are pending.

Arguments re: Sadler

Rejection Summary

Claims 8-10 and 12 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) for anticipation by U.S. Patent No. 6,058,319 (Sadler).

Discussion of Claim 8

Regarding Claim 8, Sadler fail to disclose an

... audiocassette adapter for coupling a mobile electronic device to an audiocassette player, comprising:

a cassette head coupling device;
a mobile electronic device input coupled to the cassette head coupling device;
an audiocassette player command signal generator;
a control signal output coupled to the audiocassette player command signal generator.

At col. 2: 34-44, Sadler discusses a hands-free kit (50) comprising a coupling unit (52), a cassette adapter (70) and an external microphone. The cassette adapter (70) of Sadler is arguably reads on the "cassette head coupling device" of Claim 1. However, in Sadler, neither the cassette adapter (70) nor the coupling unit (52), alone or in combination, include an "audiocassette player command signal generator" and a "control signal output coupled to the audiocassette player command signal generator" as recited in Claim 8.

The various passages of Sadler referenced by the Examiner do not support the assertion that Sadler discloses an "audiocassette player command signal generator". At col. 1: 50-57, Sadler discusses a cassette adapter audio circuit/head that applies audio signals to a play-back head of a cassette player for processing as if they had been reproduced from a cassette tape. At col. 1: 50-57, Sadler discusses the architecture of a hand-held mobile telephone unit (12). At col. 3: 7-11, Sadler discusses the coupling unit (52) comprising a coupling circuit (60) for connecting the cassette adapter (70) and the mobile unit (12). At col. 3: 24-43, Sadler discusses the mechanical structure of the cassette adapter (70) including a record head that transfers audio signals to a play-back head of an audiocassette player. The cassette adapter (70) of Sadler does not include any structure corresponding to the "audiocassette player command signal generator" of Claim 8. In Sadler, the cassette adapter only transfers audio signals to the cassette player; the cassette adapter of Sadler

does not generate and output any audio cassette player commands. Thus Claim 8 is patentably distinguished over Sadler.

Discussion of Claim 9

Regarding Claim 9, Sadler fails to disclose in combination with the limitations of Claim 8,

... the audiocassette player command signal generator for outputting unique control signals in response to corresponding audiocassette player commands.

At col. 3: 7-11, Sadler discusses the coupling unit (52) comprising a coupling circuit (60) for connecting the cassette adapter (70) and the mobile unit (12). At col. 3: 24-43, Sadler discusses the mechanical structure of the cassette adapter (70) including a record head that transfers audio signals to a play-back head of an audiocassette player. The cassette adapter (70) of Sadler does not include any structure corresponding to the "audiocassette player command signal generator" of Claim 8. In Sadler, the cassette adapter only transfers audio signals to the cassette player; the cassette adapter of Sadler does not generate and output any audio cassette player commands. See the original specification at page 6: 6 - page 8: 15. Claim 9 is further patentably distinguished over Sadler.

Discussion of Claim 10

Regarding Claim 10, Sadler fails to disclose in combination with the limitations of Claim 8,

... the audiocassette player command signal generator comprising a rotational transducer with a transducer output coupled to the control signal output of the audiocassette adapter.

In FIG. 3, Sadler discloses an electrical schematic of the cassette adapter (70) and the coupling circuit (60) and a portion fo the mobile unit (12). Sadler however does not disclose a rotational transducer in the cassette adapter (70). In Sadler, the cassette adapter (70) includes record heads (84). Claim 10 is thus further patentably distinguished over Sadler.

Prayer For Relief

In view of the discussion above, the Claims of the present application are in condition for allowance. Kindly withdraw any rejections and objections and allow this application to issue as a United States Patent without further delay.

Respectfully submitted,

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